

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission

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Specific Legal Authority authorizing the promulgation of Rule: Miss. Code §71-3-85(3), (5), 71-3-47, 71-3-55(3)

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule: MWCC Procedural Rule 6

Proposed Effective Date of Rule: April 15, 2009

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule: The Commission proposes to amend its Procedural Rule 6 to include a provision which restates the Commission's authority under Miss. Code Ann. Section 71-3-55(3) to allow Administrative Judge hearings to be held in locations other than the county where the injury occurred. This rule is proposed as a XX_Final Rule, and/or a ____Temporary Rule (Check one or both boxers as applicable.) Persons may present their views on the proposed rule by addressing written comments to the agency at the above address. Persons making comments should include their name and address, as well as other contact information, and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. Written comments must be received on or before March 6, 2009 in order to be considered. Oral Proceeding: Check one box below: An oral proceeding is scheduled on this rule on Date: Time: Place: If you wish to be heard and present evidence at the oral proceeding you must make a written request to the agency at the above address at least _____ day(s) prior to the proceeding to be placed on the agenda. The request should include your name, address, telephone number as well as other contact information; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. An oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule. Where an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding will be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. **Economic Impact Statement:** Check one box below: The agency has determined that an economic impact statement is not required for this rule; or The concise summary of the economic impact statement required is attached. The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

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Date Rule Proposed: February 5, 2008